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James L. Hobart *et al.* ) Examiner: Shay, D.  
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For: **DUAL MODE LASER DELIVERY** )  
**SYSTEM PROVIDING** )  
**CONTROLLABLE DEPTH OF**  
**TISSUE ABLATION AND**  
**CORRESPONDING**  
**CONTROLLABLE DEPTH OF**  
**COAGULATION** )

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed please find an Amendment and Response to the Office Action mailed on August 2, 2000 for filing with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 08-1275. **An originally executed duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.**

Respectfully submitted,  
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AMENDMENT

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In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A medical laser delivery apparatus for delivering one or more pulses to an area of tissue to be treated and generating a region of coagulation to a controllable coagulation depth under a surface of the area of tissue comprising a laser source

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